

**LIVINGSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
LIVINGSTON, NEW JERSEY**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
PROCLAMATIONS MEETING AGENDA**

Monday, June 16, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.
Livingston High School - Auditorium

A. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by amendment to notice approved by the Board's organization meeting on April 30, 2008 and posted at the Board of Education office and communicated to *The Star Ledger*, *West Essex Tribune* and Livingston Township Clerk.

B. FLAG SALUTE

C. ROLL CALL

Natalie Agajanov
Antonio Calcado
Sheri Goldberg
Stanley Graboski
Charles Granata
Bonnie Granatir

D. PROCLAMATIONS

Part 1: Elementary and Middle School

1. Art

Whereas, Sora Nithikasem, a fourth grader at Harrison Elementary School, won First Place, ages 6-9, in the 2007 National Kids-in-Print Book Contest for Students; and

Whereas, she will travel to Kansas City to work with the publisher, Landmark House Ltd., in editing, refining and production of her book, *Trails to Victory Mountain*; and

Whereas, Grace Ming, a student at Mount Pleasant Middle School, won First Place in the "My Passaic River" Poster Contest sponsored by the Essex County Environmental Center; and

Whereas, her poster will be published in the Environmental Center calendar; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to Sora and Grace and their teachers, Dolly Mendes and Hugh Mahon.

2. Hanover Park Speech Festival

Whereas, Livingston students earned honors in the Hanover Park Speech Festival on May 9; and

Whereas, Heritage students Eric Mong won First Place for Declamation and Liat Kastner won First Place for both Original Oratory and Interpretive Reading-Prose; and

Whereas, Mount Pleasant Middle School student Benya Kraus placed Second, Heritage student Michael Mungiello placed Third, Mount Pleasant Elementary School student Christina Qiu placed Fourth; and Heritage students Hana Feiner and Zachary Lustbader placed Fifth and Sixth, respectively, in Declamation; and

Whereas, Benya also placed Second for Interpretive Reading-Prose, and Hana placed Sixth for Impromptu; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students.

3. Law Fair – Mount Pleasant Elementary

Whereas, the Mount Pleasant Elementary School Grade 3 Law Fair team earned First Place in the New Jersey State Bar Foundation Law Fair, and

Whereas, the students created and performed an original mock trial, “Lost and Found – Chloe Closed-Up in the Cloak Closet;” and

Whereas, the team members are: Juliet Akcay, Nina Fiore, Lindsay Friedman, Jordan Goldberg, Carly Katzeff, Abigail Levy, Maya Lipshitz, Arya Mirchandani, Kristina Orgueira, Harris Paspuleti, Ellie Shahrabani, Aaron Tucker and Jessica Zhang; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Cynthia Schwartz.

4. Law Fair – Riker Hill

Whereas, the Riker Hill Grade 4 Law Fair team earned Honorable Mention in the New Jersey State Bar Foundation Law Fair; and

Whereas, the students created and performed an original mock trial, “Slipping at 6:30;” and

Whereas, the team members are: Casey Baer, Basia Baldwin, Mike Cameron, Charlie DeFranza, Emily Goldson, Delaney Gonik, Annie Lien, Payton Mendez, Lexi Narotzky, Justin Patel, Mallika Reddy, Elan Rom, Cole Slavitt, Maria Soroka and Olivia Wellington; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Donna Richter-Maschio.

5. Law Adventure – Heritage

Whereas, the Heritage Middle School Grade 7 team earned Honorable Mention in the New Jersey State Bar Foundation Law Adventure; and

Whereas, the students created and performed an original mock trial, “The Case of Erthville Township v. Mr. Appleseed;” and

Whereas, the team members are: Meaghan Annett, Jason Cai, Rachel Holtz, Jesse Kirsch, Jenna Pearlson and Kristin Tsuo; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Helene Hinck.

6. Academically Speaking

Whereas, Mount Pleasant Middle School won the Second Place team trophy in the Academically Speaking 2008 Tournament Elementary Division, sponsored by the Essex County Steering Committee for Gifted and Talented Education; and

Whereas, the Academically Speaking team members are: Kevin Kwok, Daniel Laveman, Brian Lee, Kevin Peng, Christopher Tseng, Samantha Waldenberg, and Grant Wu; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Carol Geers.

7. Knowledge Master Open

Whereas, the Mount Pleasant Middle School team placed First in New Jersey, out of 22 schools, and Fourth in the Nation, out of 384 schools, in the March 2008 Sixth Grade Division II Knowledge Master Open; and

Whereas, the team members are: Sarfraz Akmal, Michelle Bao, Sydelle Barreto, Kevin Kwok, Daniel Laveman, Brian Lee, Grace Ming, Julie Murray, Philip Peker, Kevin Peng, Christopher Tseng, Samantha Waldenberg, Paul Won and Grant Wu; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Carol Geers.

8. New Jersey Mathematics League

Whereas, Livingston's three middle school math teams each placed First in Essex County in the New Jersey Math League; and

Whereas, the Grade 6 team also placed Eighth in the State out of 201 schools; the Grade 7 team placed Second in the State out of 203 schools; and the Grade 8 team placed First in the State out of 191 teams; and

Whereas, Mount Pleasant Middle School sixth grader Grant Wu placed Second individually and Sarah Wang and Sihan Wang tied for Fourth Place in the Region, and Grant Wu placed Fourth in a 5-way tie as the individual top scorer in the State; and

Whereas, Heritage seventh graders Daniel Lai and Alex Nie tied for First Place, and Stephanie Chan earned Fourth Place, in the Region; and

Whereas, Heritage eighth grader Edward Xiao earned an individual First Place, and Penny Hung, Zachary Lustbader and Patrick Xia tied for Second Place, in the Region; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their advisors, Janice DeVita and Gary Silverman.

9. Debate Tournament

Whereas, four Heritage Middle School students earned trophies in the 21st Annual Varsity Level Debate Tournament sponsored by the New Jersey Consortium for Gifted and Talented Programs on May 16; and

Whereas, Devin Grossman and Zachary Lustbader were awarded First Place for the Negative Position; and

Whereas, Benjamin Leff and Eric MacBlane were awarded Second Place for the Affirmative Position; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Helene Hinck.

10. National Science League

Whereas, Heritage Middle School scored First in the State and Fifth in the Nation in Life Science; and First in the State and Seventh in the Nation in General Science; in the National Science League competition, which measures factual knowledge and understanding of scientific processes; and

Whereas, Daniel Collins is the Top Scorer in Life Science and Jack Wang is the Top Scorer in General Science; and

Whereas, Will Boni, Kimberly Cheng, Daniel Chi, Jeffrey Hong, Penny Hung, Eric Kang, Zachary Lustbader, Alex Nie, Sanjay Pamer, Kevin Sun, Brian Viggiano, Jack Wang, Patrick Xia and Ed Xiao earned the Top Ten scores in General Science; and

Whereas, Will Boni, Stephanie Chan, Daniel Collins, Justine Jang, Daniel Lai, Max Luo, Zachary Lustbader, Alex Nie, Luke Rudino, Christina Torrens, Brian Viggiano, Jack Wang, and Eric Yu earned the Top Ten scores in Life Science; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students.

11. Business Simulation

Whereas, the Heritage Middle School seventh grade team of Ken Wu, Greg Libson, Daniel Lai, Aria Soltani, Daniel Collins and Alex Nie received the top Business Plan Award from the Foundation for Free Enterprise/NJ Consortium for Gifted and Talented Programs; and

Whereas, the team's plan was for a hybrid car with transitional glass; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their advisors.

12. MATHCOUNTS

Whereas, the Heritage Middle School MATHCOUNTS team placed First in the Regional Chapter of the New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers MATHCOUNTS competition; and

Whereas, the team members are Penny Hung, Zachary Lustbader, Alexander Nie and Edward Xiao; and

Whereas, individual participant Jeffrey Hong placed Fifth in the State and Edward Xiao placed Eighth in the State; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their advisors, Janice DeVita and Gary Silverman.

13. Continental Mathematics League

Whereas, Heritage Middle School placed First Nationally in the Continental Mathematics League/Euclidean Divisions 7 and 8; and

Whereas, National student winners for Grade 7 are Shira Li, Daniel Lai and Alex Nie; and

Whereas, National student winners for Grade 8 are Jeffrey Hong, Zachary Lustbader, Patrick Xia and Edward Xiao; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students.

14. Cognetics – Mount Pleasant Middle School

Whereas, four Mount Pleasant Middle School teams earned Silver Toward Satori, the highest level in the National Talent Network's Cognetics Program for problem solving at the Creativity Exposition at Montclair State University; and one team earned Bronze Toward Satori, the next highest level; and

Whereas, the Silver teams are: The Fish Wish, Jasmine Brewers, Smog Busters, Neon Dragons, and the Bronze team is Mystical Flames;

Whereas, The Fish Wish are: Vivien Chen, Sarah Hui, Andy Miller, Gregory Vuong, Sarah Wang, Sihan Wang and Karlin Yeh; the Jasmine Brewers are: Rinat Alelov, Sydelle Baretto, Nitay Caspi, Jeffrey Dong, Brian Lee, Rachel Roth and Kimberly Villone; the Smog Busters are: Stanley Cheung, Ben Gilman, Benya Kraus, Kishan Patel, Sofia Soroka and Ethan Sternstein; the Neon Dragons are: Francesca Agnello, Helen Chen, Rhiea Raju, Crystal Song, Josh Wilder and Paul Won; and the Mystical Flames are: Grace An, Edward Chin, Cate Leu, Susan Luo, Joseph Lilien and Grant Wu; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coaches, Carol Geers and Helene Hinck.

15. Cognetics – Heritage Middle School Group 1

Whereas, twelve Heritage Middle School teams earned Silver Toward Satori, the highest level in the National Talent Network's Cognetics Program for problem solving at the Creativity Exposition at Montclair State University; and

Whereas, the first six teams to be honored are: Clacy's Dynasty, Red Luck, Jade Wind, PPS, Celestial Dragons and Seeds of Life; and

Whereas, the Clacy's Dynasty are: Mayer Chalom, Jason Cai, Nicole Lamiano, Meaghan Annett and Sam Yang; and the Red Luck are: Daniel Lai, Sharon Chen, Eric Yu, Alex Nie, Justine Jang, Aria Soltani and

Julie Mosaddeghi; and the Jade Wind are: Max Luo, Howard Hsu, Jason Ou, Amy Xu and Lucy Zhou; and the PPS are: Roth Bernstein, Robert Fidler, Josh Fleishman, Scott Levine and Abe Choes; and the Celestial Dragons are: Marcia Chen, Kimberly Cheng, Jessica Chu, Ashley Feng and Tiffany Bair; and the Seeds of Life are: Robert Sokolov, Kevin Sun, Tiffany Wang, Nancy Yang and Jenny Yeung; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Carol Geers.

16. Cognetics – Heritage Middle School Group 2

Whereas, twelve Heritage Middle School teams earned Silver Toward Satori, the highest level in the National Talent Network's Cognetics Program for problem solving at the Creativity Exposition at Montclair State University; and

Whereas, the second six teams to be honored are: Minga Linga Ding Dongs, BEP, Lychee Gone BAD!, Punny Bunnies, Fun Puns, and Punopoly; and

Whereas, the Minga Linga Ding Dongs are: Rachel Fuerstman, Shana Hart, Liat Kastner, Rachel Kung, Shannon Stocks, Alyssa Vorbeck, Angela Yu and Karli Weitzman; and the BEP are: Vanessa Osman, Michelle Shang, Nathalie Tran and Justin Yu; and the Lychee Gone BAD! are: Eeshin Chang, Iris Chang, Dan Chi, Li Ann Giordano, Penny Hung, Eric Kang and Ed Xiao; and the Punny Bunnies are: Dara Baldwin, Jennifer Berger, Kyle Bergman, Ilana Bier, Scarlett Ferman, Katie Granatir, Aly Maser and Lindsey Sokol; and the Fun Puns are: Rebecca Branovan, Tori Kargman, Shivangi Khanna, Laura Lin, Carly Swenson and Emma Wightman; and the Punopoly are: Scott Hare, Raim Izhar, Zachary Jaffe, Elliot Naphtali, Daniel Segal, Karolina Siwek and Sara Vossler; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Helene Hinck.

Part 2: Livingston High School

1. Essex County Math League

Whereas, the Livingston High School Mathematics Team won the Essex County Mathematics League championship for the 20th consecutive year, capturing five of the six subject area championships and boasting many individual winners; and

Whereas, the Algebra I team, with Heritage students Dan Chi, Jeffrey Hong, Kevin Sun, Patrick Xia and Ed Xiao, earned First Place; and Ed Xiao and Kevin Sun tied for individual First Place; and

Whereas, the Geometry team, with Terrance An, Michael Lazar, Joy Ming, Vincent Qui and Kelly Zhang, earned a perfect score and earned First Place; and Vincent and Kelly tied for individual First Place; and

Whereas, the Algebra II team, with Jennifer Chi, Saagar Deshpande, David Li, Sneha Patel and Matt Tse, earned First Place, and David Li received an individual First Place; and

Whereas, the Advanced Math team, with Benesh Chudasama, Penny Hung, Jennifer Jang, Tim Kunisky and Mark Tai, tied for First Place with Millburn; and Jennifer tied for individual Second Place; and

Whereas, the Calculus team, with Joe Hochberg, Ingrid Liu, Dan Rockower, Evelyn Tong and Charles Zou, tied for First Place with Millburn, and Evelyn tied for individual Second Place; and

Whereas, the Statistics team, with Stephanie Chen, Rahul Dutta, Jay Ghadiali, Tae Kim and Bryan Lin, earned Third Place; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coaches, Ellen Friedman, Anna Houben, Gerald Lamb, Gail Pogach and Dorte Poyner.

2. Writing and Public Speaking

Whereas, juniors Debra Slutsky and Cathy Yu earned First Place and Second Place, respectively, in the Philip K. Hoffman Essay Contest, sponsored by the American Jewish Committee of Northern New Jersey; and

Whereas, Cathy Yu also finished Third in the State in the 2008 Knights of Pythias Public Speaking Contest Finals on May 22; and

Whereas, freshman Allison Paisner reached the Octofinal Round, and sophomores David Federman and Dolapo Lawal reached the Quarterfinal Round, in the 2008 NCFL Forensics Grand National Tournament; and

Whereas, Samantha Ross and Tylar Dykman, Class of 2007, were editors in chief of the Livingston High School literary magazine, Inner Voices, received a rank of "Excellent" from the National Conference of Teachers of English; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their advisors, Freddie Glucksman, Susan Rothbard, Michael Sunga and Tori Troxell.

3. DuCret and Congressional Art Awards

Whereas, Leanna Walters earned a First Place Award in Nontraditional Art in the Pascrell Congressional Art Contest; and

Whereas, seven Livingston High School students earned honors in the Ducret School of Art Annual High School Student Art Show; and

Whereas, Jenny Hui earned First Place/Digital Painting, and Erin Pfister earned First Place/Black and White Photo; and

Whereas, Honorable Mentions were earned by Kim Alzuphar and Keisha Aranjuez for Black and White Photo; Tamar Ariel and Brittany Dippold for Watercolor; and Holly Kim for Oil Painting; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their teachers, Arlene Brown, Ellen Denuto and Linda Majzner.

4. Mock Trial Team

Whereas, the Livingston High School Mock Trial Team Finished Second in the State of New Jersey in the New Jersey Bar Association Mock Trial Competition for the first time in LHS history; and

Whereas, the team also qualified for the national American Mock Trial Invitational; and

Whereas, the team members are: seniors David Emert, Julia Goldstein, Jordan Lyons, Daniel Rockower, Nina Rosenberg, Evan Schneider and Gil Turetsky; juniors Nathaniel Elkins and Lisa Killary; sophomores Emma Fridel, Daniel Friedman, Shafaq Hasan, Markiana Julceus, Dhara Patel, Dharti Patel, Katie Radin, Ari Rosenstrauch and Wendy Wang; and freshmen Jacob Emert, Seyi Lawal, Matthew Lerner and Jonathan Rockower; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students.

5. French National Exam

Whereas, Livingston High School students excelled in Le Grand Concours, the French National Exam sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French and given to more than 100,000 students; and

Whereas, the following ten students distinguished themselves by placing in the top ten nationally and in the State in this competitive exam: Stephanie Chen and Tim Kunisky (Fifth in the Nation), Kathleen McDonald and Matthew Viggiano (Sixth in the Nation), Dolapo Lawal, Seyi Lawal and Mary Xia (Seventh in the Nation), Daniel Rockower (Eighth in the Nation), and Alexandra Boni and Wendy Wang (Ninth in the Nation); and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and coaches Gerard Amsellem, Jeanine Madden Losito and Florence Steffener.

6. National Spanish Exam

Whereas, Livingston High School students excelled in the 2008 National Spanish Exam, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese and taken by more than 106,000 students; and

Whereas, 27 students are Gold Medalists, placing above the 95th percentile nationally; and two students are Silver Medalists, placing between the 90th and 94th percentiles; and

Whereas, the National Gold Medal winners are: Zachary Berliner, Emily Blustein, Maria Chen, Jennifer Chi, Iris Chiu, Marisa Denker, Saagar Deshpande, Emma Fridel, Jenny Fung, Alex Hare, Tamara Hon, Megan Kelly, Radomir Kratchmarov, Kareen Lee, Brittany Lerman, Matthew Leu, Ingrid Liu, Joy Ming, Sneha Patel, Adam Pearlson, Chanamon Ratanalert, Alison Rothman, Sneha Shah, Danielle Shpaner, Adam Treitler, Benjamin Wainberg and Catherine Zhang; and the National Silver Medal winners are: David Yu and Eric Karpas; and

Whereas, these students also placed highly in the State: Sneha Patel, Second; David Yu, Third; Emma Fridel and Joy Ming, Fifth; Jenny Fung and Ingrid Liu, Sixth; Jennifer Chi, Seventh; Alex Hare, Eric Karpas and Megan Kelly, Eighth; and Maria Chen, Ninth; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and coaches Susana Fernandez, Maria Hubert-Friscia, Gisele Gugger and Amy Saffer.

7. Science Research

Whereas, Science Research Honors III student Alexandra LeBental is a regional finalist in the Young Epidemiology Scholars competition in recognition of the periodontitis and genetics research she conducted at UMDNJ-New Jersey Dental School; and

Whereas, senior Arielle Alpert received Third Place in the Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES) Thacher Scholars Award competition for best use of geospatial tools to study Earth; and

Whereas, three students won awards at the North Jersey Regional Science Fair, a competition that covers ten counties, on March 14-15 at Rutgers University; and whereas, Evelyn Tong earned First Place in Medicine and Health; Maks Marek earned Third Place in Biochemistry and won the Rutgers Scholar Award; and Radhika Shah earned Third Place, Physics and Earth Science as well as the Materials Science Award, Naval Science Award and other Certificates of Achievement; and

Whereas, the team of Tina Xia, Bo Wang, Radhika Shah and Evelyn Tong received an Honorable Mention in the 2008 ExploraVision Competition, sponsored by Toshiba and the National Science Teachers Association; and whereas, their project, about a new technology to harvest energy from cellular waste products, was judged to be in the top 10% of the more than 4000 entries nationwide; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and teacher Brian Carey.

8. Science Olympiad

Whereas, the Livingston High School Science Olympiad team is the undefeated Northern Regional Champion for the fifth year in a row and placed Sixth in the State; and

Whereas, the team members are: Samantha Berger, Dan Chen, Saagar Deshpande, Aleksandra Dukhan, David Federman, Ruslan Fridman, George Hung, Paul Kim, Tim Kunisky, Jennifer Jang, David Li, Debanjan Pain, Ravi Patel, Collin Stocks, Virginia Tong and Matt Tse; and

Whereas, the Livingston students placed in the top ten for 17 of the 25 events, including three Second Place State finishes by Matt Tse, Collin Stocks, Paul Kim, Saagar Deshpande and Samantha Berger; Third Place by David Li and Virginia Tong; Fourth Place by Debanjan Pain and Jennifer Jang; and Fifth Place by Ravi Patel and Ruslan Fridman; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coach, Dr. Nuni Walsh.

9. Merck State Science Day

Whereas, the combined teams of 25 Livingston High School students finished Second in the State in the 58th Annual Merck State Science Day Competition; and

Whereas, four students were ranked Merck Scholars – in the top four in the State – for the first time in Livingston High School history; and whereas, they are: Saagar Deshpande, Jennifer Jang, Tim Kunisky and Matt Tse; and

Whereas, the Integrated and Advanced Integrated teams placed First; the Physics team placed Fourth, the Chemistry team placed Ninth; and the Biology Team placed Fifteenth; and

Whereas, the team members are:

Biology: Jay Ghadiali, Stefania Samojlik, Ankur Shah, Virginia Tong and Tina Xia;
Chemistry: Ben Leung, Debanjan Pain, Joshua Riback, Greg Tilley and Evelyn Tong;
Physics: Daniel Chen, David Federman, Joe Hochberg, Mark Rosenberg and Ravi Shah;
Integrated: Saagar Deshpande, Stephanie Chen, Juliana Fidler, Tim Kunisky and Matt Tse; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coaches, Janine Provost, Terry Loboda, and Tom Walsh.

10. Essex County Track and Field

Whereas, the Livingston High School Track and Field Team won the Essex County Track and Field Relay Championship for the second time in three years; and

Whereas, the team members are: Victoria Abashkin, Rachel Aliparo, Dana Babij, Asha Barnhardt, Sara Beyer, Monica Binsol, Clarice Borgella, Olga Botea, Malika Brandner, Jennifer Brodsky, Brianna Drapeau, Mariah Emering, Hallie Farber, Gabriella Fernandez, Michelle Forrester, Samantha Frankel, Katherine Fridel, Michelle Friedman, Samantha Hauser, Joanne Horng, Linda Innemee, Anne Joseph, Arielle Kaluski, Ashley Keltos, Kelly Keltos, Monica Kinsella, Stephanie Kraver, Karyn Lao, Sara Lederman, Fion Lee, Michelle Lee, Tiffany Lighty, Esther Lin, Nicole Livesey, Jerri Miller, Shoshana Mahon, Jennifer McEldoon, Kat Mint, Gali Niv, Kathleen O'Connor, Anna Ono, Carena Pineda, Minal Shah, Robin Stein, Brianna Thomas, Lisa Trinh, Alisha Valdez, Ashley Valdez, Nadine Weinberger, Susan Wolff, So hee Woo, Mary Xia and Elizabeth Yap; and

Whereas, this is a unique and wonderful achievement deserving of official recognition;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Livingston Board of Education extends its congratulations and best wishes to these students and their coaches, Keith Chaudruc, Will Davies, John Foscolo, David Rosa, Bill Ehrlich and Mike Perry.

ROLL CALL VOTE

E. PUBLIC COMMENT ~ up to 15 minutes

An excerpt from Policy #0167 adopted on December 13, 2004 states that The Board of Education recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest.

Public participation shall be governed by the following rules:

1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate;
2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration;
3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually.

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to fifteen minutes, or at the discretion of the presiding officer.

ADJOURNMENT

F. PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (dates subject to change)

July 15, 2008 (*voting/Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.*)

- Construction Update – LHS
- Policy #8860 – Memorials (current policy with revisions)

- Policy #8505 – Nutritional Wellness
- Policy #5200 (M) – Attendance (replaces Policy #5113 (NJSBA))

August 11, 2008 (*voting at 8:00 a.m.*)

- Construction Update - LHS

September 8, 2008 (*voting*)

September 15, 2008 (*workshop*)

- Construction Update – LHS
- Policy #7230 – Gifts, Grants & Donations (current policy with revisions)
- Policy 0143.2 - Student Representatives to the Board of Education

October 6, 2008 (*voting*)

- Strategic Planning – Update of Reorganization Plan (Strand 8)

October 20, 2008 (*workshop*)

- NJQSAC Discussion
- Violence and Vandalism Report
- Middle School Sports Committee Report
- Construction Update - LHS

November 17, 2008 (*voting*)

- Approval of NJQSAC
- Approval of Violence and Vandalism Report

November 24, 2008 (*workshop*)

- Presentation of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
- Construction Update - LHS

December 8, 2008 (*voting*)

- Approval of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
- Strategic Planning Overview

January 12, 2009 (*voting*)

- Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement

January 26, 2009 (*workshop*)

- First Draft of Budget
- Strand Cost Analysis
- Construction Update - LHS

February 2, 2009 (*voting*)

February 23, 2009 (*workshop*)

- Construction Update - LHS

March 2, 2009 (*voting*)

- Approval of Tentative Budget
- Approval of Professional Development Plan

March 23, 2009 (*Public Hearing on the Budget*)

April 13, 2009 (*voting*)

April 27, 2009 (*Reorganization*)

May, 2009 (*workshop*)

- Strategic Planning – Grading and Reporting to Parents (Strand 1)
- Strategic Planning – Social Studies Curriculum for Grades K-12

June, 2009 (*workshop*)

- Staff Development Committee

CLOSED SESSION

1. Legal Matters
2. Negotiations
3. Personnel

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq., also known as the “Sunshine Law,” authorizes a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and

Whereas, said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public hearing before it can meet in such an executive or private session, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Livingston Board of Education that:

- (A) It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in executive session on June 16, 2008 to discuss the matters stipulated, in conformance with the subsections of said act which are indicated.
1. Matter rendered confidential by federal law, state statute or rule of court.
 2. Matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive federal funds.
 3. Matter, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy unless the individual concerned shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.
 4. Collective bargaining matter.
 5. Matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates, etc. where it would adversely affect the public interest if discussion were disclosed.
 6. Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting public property where disclosure could impair protection.
 7. Investigation of violations or possible violations of law.
 8. Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than collective bargaining agreement.
 9. Personnel matters unless the individual employees or appointees affected requested that such matter be discussed at a public meeting.
 10. Deliberations occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty.
- (B) The matters discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required and formal action pursuant to said discussion shall take place only at a meeting to which the public has been invited.

ROLL CALL VOTE

ADJOURNMENT